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KOHEI WATANABE, et al. )  
Application No.: 10/554,211 ) Group Art Unit: 1645  
Int'l. Filing Date: December 16, 2004 )  
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For: BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE )  
SUBSTANCE TRANSFER )  
SHEET, CELL CULTURE KIT )  
CONSTITUTED OF CELL )  
CULTURE PLATE AND )  
BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE )  
SUBSTANCE TRANSFER )  
SHEET, PRODUCING METHOD )  
THEREOF AND METHOD FOR )  
SCREENING CELL CULTURE )  
CONDITIONS UTILIZING THE )  
SAME : October 24, 2006

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents, other than the U.S. patent documents, are enclosed.

The listed documents were cited in the International Search Report and/or Written Opinion which issued in the corresponding international application. A copy of the International Search Report and a copy of the Written Opinion are enclosed.

Also enclosed is an English-language abstract for each of the non-English-language documents.

Japan 2003-504011 is believed to be in the same patent family as WO 99/32663 and U.S. Patent No. 6,232,066. Japan 2000-508528 is believed to be in the same patent family as WO 97/36681, Europe 0 889 751, and U.S. Patent No. 6,124,138. Japan 2002-355025 is believed to be in the same patent family as Europe 1 248 108 and U.S. Publication No. 2002/0177221. Japan 2002-355026 is believed to be in the same patent family as Europe 1 253 196 and U.S. Publication No. 2002/0182721.

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